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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121I. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS:

In the official action mailed June 2, 2006, the Examiner requires election of species in the above-referenced application. The Examiner believes that the claims are directed to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species: Species I(a) and II(a); and Species I(b), II(b), III(b) and IV(b). A shortened statutory period of 1 month has been set, making a response to this action due on or by July 3, 2006 (July 2, 2006 falls on a Sunday).

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